Ecology Permit Timeliness Performance (Oct. 2002 - Sept. 2003)

This matrix illustrates Ecology's timeliness performance for 10 common permits over the first year of tracking. This is the baseline to measure future improvement. The comment section summarizes information gathered on missed targets that will help us focus our process improvement efforts.

Permit Type	Completeness Determination	Draft Permit	Final Decision	Other Target	Comments		
Air Operating Permit	Target: 60 days	Target: 180 days	Target: 548 days	Not Applicable	11 of 21 targets missed Backlog built up when Ecology lost 2 permit writers to the private sector		
# Actions	7	7	7				
# Meeting Target	5	1	4				
% Meeting Target	71%	14%	57%				
Average Days	76	434	532				
# Approved:# Denied			7:0				
Notice of Construction	Target: 30 days	Target: 60 days	Target: 60 days	Not Applicable	14 of 143 targets missed 9 due to proponent delays		
# Actions	49	41	53				
# Meeting Target	42	39	48				
% Meeting Target	86%	95%	91%		5 due to Ecology delays		
Average Days	23	21	26				
# Approved:# Denied			53:0				
Prevention of Significant	Target: 30 days	Target: 60 days	Target: 120 days after	Not Applicable	7 of 24 targets missed		
Deterioration			public comment		1 due to compliance issues 1 due to client negotiations 1 due to applicant delay 1 due to EPA coordination 1 due to Ecology delay 1 due to consolidate notices 1 due Local Air coordination		
# Actions	8	8	8				
# Meeting Target	6	3	8				
% Meeting Target	75%	38%	100%				
Average Days	35	67	22				
# Approved:# Denied			8:0				
Shoreline Substantial	Target: 7 days	Not applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	171 of 283 targets missed. Program will assess impact on customer service before making further changes.		
Development							
# Actions	283						
# Meeting Target	171						
% Meeting Target	60%						
Average Days	8						
# Approved:# Denied							
Shoreline Conditional Use	Target: 14 days	Not applicable	Target: 30 days	Not Applicable	12 of 158 targets missed		
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# Actions	41		117				
# Meeting Target	41		105				
% Meeting Target	100%		90%				
Average Days			15				
# Approved:# Denied			114:3				

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CZM Consistency Determination	Not applicable	Not applicable	Target: 30 days	Not Applicable	No targets missed.
# Actions			29		
# Meeting Target			29		
% Meeting Target			100%		
Average Days			13		
# Approved:# Denied			29:0		
401 Water Quality	Target: 10 days	Not applicable	Target: 90 days for	Not Applicable	3 missed targets for final
Certification	_		90% of the applications		decisions were due to project complexity and/or applicant delay.
# Actions	26		12		
# Meeting Target	21		9		
% Meeting Target	81%		75%		-
Average Days	7		61		
# Approved:# Denied			12:1		
Individual State and NPDES Permits	Target: 60 days to have a response to 90% of new applications	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Target: Neg. schedule for 80% of apps	The results were not as good as expected. This has led to changes in standard operating practices. Since then significant improvements in meeting the targets have occurred.
# Actions	13			11	
# Meeting Target	8			4	
% Meeting Target	62%			36%	
Average Days	52			n/a	
# Approved:# Denied				n/a	
General Permits - Industrial Stormwater	Target: 45 days [90% of new applications received after July 1, 2003]	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	The target was nearly met. Future values may decline given the amount of time Ecology finds it must spend with helping new permittees versus processing new applications.
# Actions	20				
# Meeting Target	17				
% Meeting Target	85%				
Average Days	21				
# Approved:# Denied					
General Permits - Construction Stormwater	Target: 45 days [90% of new applications received after July 1, 2004]	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
# Actions	Not Applicable				_[
# Meeting Target					
% Meeting Target					
Average Days					<u> </u>
# Approved:# Denied					